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1. The purpose of the visit of TUNG Pi-wu and the Chinese Communist Government Commission under him is not only to take over former Nationalist Government properties and inspect the local situation*, but also to review the cases of former officials of the Nationalist Government who are available to work for the Communist Government. If any are considered urged of their old ideology or can be re-educated they will be employed.
2. The Communist authorities are replacing the pao chia system of the Nanking area with a new one based on the unit of thirty families, called the kung an tsu (公安組). The head of each kung an tsu is named by the police sub-office of the area. The organization operates as a check on the ideas and activities of all members with emphasis on long intimidating conversations with any suspicious persons. There is a feeling among the people that this is the basis of an all-inclusive system for the control of the population and even of their thoughts.
3. A parallel organization is called the ku wei tsu (自衛組) which has an elected head who is responsible for passing complaints and suggestions up to the authorities and sees that orders are known and obeyed.
4. Workers of the two organizations are very much overburdened with taking census, checking and rearranging street numbers, and investigating the class and economic status of the residents of their areas. They are also required to attend two daily meetings, often totaling over four hours.
5. These workers are naive, stupid and suspicious, but they are easily overwhelmed by the feeling that they are out of their depth. They are characteristically afraid of the unfavorable reaction of their superiors. A typical team consists of a young well-indoctrinated Communist Party representative, not usually a former resident of the area; and one young former resident, relatively passive and often a former low-level Nationalist government member, who applied for the position.

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